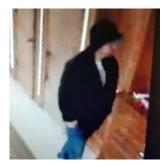
## Troopers Investigating Theft from Church during Sunday Mass- Wilmington





**Wilmington** — The Delaware State Police are investigating the theft of a church volunteer's purse that occurred while she was attending mass on Sunday.

The incident occurred at approximately 12:11 p.m., Sunday, November 4, 2018 at St. Helena's Church, located at 610 Philadelphia Pike, Wilmington. A 74 year old female, church volunteer placed her purse on a chair in the Sacristy as she assisted with preparations for mass. During the mass the pictured suspect enters the Sacristy, surveys the room and then makes off with her purse.

The suspect is described as a bearded, heavy set white male, 25-35 years of age, wearing a black coat, blue jeans, baseball hat and blue and white sneakers.

Anyone with information regarding the identity or whereabouts of the pictured suspect is asked to contact Cpl. J. Joannides at Troop 1 by calling 761-6677.

Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <a href="http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com">http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com</a>

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